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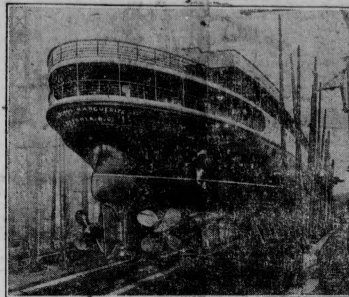


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We wish to extend to our Customers
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JUST BEFORE LAUNCHING
The "Princess Marguerite," built at Clydebank, with a sister ship, the "Princess Kathleen," for service between Vancouver, Victoria and Seattle, under the Canadian Pacific flag. The new vessels, of 6,000 tons, were specially designed for service on the British Columbia coast and, being capable of maintaining a speed of 22½ knots, will considerably reduce the time between the mainland and Canada's western playground—Vancouver Island.



To One and All
The News Staff
extends their sincere greetings
for
A Happy New Year

Carlers Go After McDonald Trophy at Craigmyle

Two rinks left for Craigmyle last Friday to play for the McDonald Trophy at present held by the Craigmyle Club. The personnel of the rinks was as follows: L. Gillespie, lead; Charles Stewart, second; George Morrison, third; S. A. Miller, skip, and J. P. Kerr, lead; John Naismith, second; Alf Gibson, third, Art Wade, skip.

The players arrived at Craigmyle shortly after 7 p. m. and were on the ice playing at 7.40. Miller's rink was down one point, and Wade's down four points, the scores being:

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Miller 12	Anderson 13
Wade 11	Murdock 15
23	28

The Oyen visitors speak most highly of hospitality of their opponents who gave a fine banquet after the games.

Change in Train Service

On January 4, the time of the westbound train will be changed to about 2 hours earlier (about 12:30 a.m.) and will be scheduled to arrive in Calgary at about 9:30. The eastbound train, which now leaves at 3:00 a.m. will also be changed, but it will only be a matter of a few minutes. The official time has not yet been announced but as soon as it has been made public it will appear in the columns of this paper.

The second installment of "Captain Blood" a novel by Rafael Sabatini will be found on page six. Don't miss reading the story.

Shows as Usual at Theatre

In order to correct an erroneous impression that the management of the Oyen Theatre contemplated closing the theatre for the next two months, we have been asked to announce that such is not the case. Pictures will be shown as usual. During the extremely cold weather it was found almost impossible to heat the building. Changes are being made to the heating apparatus, which the management believe will prove satisfactory.

Thoughts for the New Year

Never get angry with anybody but yourself.

The question for each man to settle, is not what he would do if he had means, time, influence and educational advantages, but what he will do with the things he has.

Masons Install Officers

Oyen Lodge No. 104, A. F. and A. M. installed the new officers for 1925 at a special meeting held last Saturday night. Following the installation, a banquet was served in the dining room of the Alberta Hotel. The officers installed were:

E. P. BARBOUR	I. P. M.
CHARLES STEWART	W. M.
S. A. MILLER	S. W.
RAY ANDERSON	J. W.
C. D. McMILLAN	TREASURER
AMOS JOHNSON	SECRETARY
DONALD MCAY	S. D.
CHARLES L. DUNFORD	J. D.
E. P. BARBOUR	CHAPLAIN
G. MCKINNEY	S. S.
HARRY J. COOPER	J. S.
J. C. DIERG	D. of C.
B. E. GILLESPIE	TYLER

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for 1925

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Oyen Theatre

SPECIAL ATTRACTION FOR
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"AMERICA"

A D. W. Griffith Picture

Shows start at 8 p.m.

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Regular Shows

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, THIS WEEK
MONDAY AND TUESDAY, NEXT WEEK

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RESTORATION OF CROW'S N. RATES FOR AN INTERVAL

Winnipeg.—While prominent Winnipeg men expressed some satisfaction with the decision of the Federal Government to restore westbound Crow's Nest rates, pending a ruling by the Supreme Court of Canada on the appeal by the western provinces, surprise was expressed that the matter had been referred to the Supreme Court at all. Reasons given for this surprise were that the question was one of policy, and that the Supreme Court should not be asked to pass on an agreement which, it was said, was considered effective by both parties to it, and also by the railway commission itself, for 18 or 20 months.

Premier Bracken said this appears to be "a strange situation," and that the west had evidently gained at least a temporary, though considerably belated, victory.

With restoration of the rates, the question of determination will again come to the front, and representatives of the Winnipeg Board of Trade gave it as their opinion that the board would again enter the fight for its removal.

Germany Wants Exceptional Position In The League

Wants Heavy Reduction of Her Neighbors' Armaments

Geneva.—Germany's note to the League of Nations, touching on the question of that organization's joining the league, was sent to all the members for their comments or suggestions, and is being discussed here with the keenest interest.

The note, which shows that Germany desires an exceptional position as a member of the League because of her lack of armed strength, is regarded in some quarters as an appeal to the League to give the head of the council, which failed to give Germany satisfaction in previous direct negotiations.

The opinion is expressed by some that Germany is determined to obtain a heavy reduction of her neighbors' armaments, especially of France and the "Little Entente," before subscribing to the Geneva peace protocol, which all admit must be revised. Others believe that Germany probably fears the possible transportation of troops over her territory for use against Russia, with whom she is usually desirous of maintaining good terms.

Ottawa Post Office Speeds Up Business

Had Scheme This Year For Handling Christmas Rush

Ottawa.—The Ottawa post office took over the heaving of Christmas stamps. Under the scheme, one handed the parcels and the other weighed the letters, called out the amount of postage for each package to a second clerk, who skillfully manipulated a cash register, only handing the amount of postage was given out. One paid the postage in cash and went his way. The other employees affixed the proper stamps. The idea was to speed up the Christmas queue.

Left Tickets That Won Lottery Prizes

Imprisoned Wife of Spaniard Will Have About \$140,000

Madrid.—A dead man won a goodly portion of the annual Christmas lottery prize. He was Ramon Quintana, and he left behind in his effects two lottery tickets which captured prizes totalling about \$140,000. Just before he died, Quintana's house was robbed, and without funds, his widow and children were facing a cold and hungry Christmas.

Unemployment Acute in Toronto

Toronto.—With 6,000 men on the list at the head office of the unemployment bureau here, and with several more thousands reported by the various trade unions as out of work, the unemployment situation in Toronto has become acute. According to present arrangements, relief work will be only for married men with families. Already 2,000 men have registered for some relief.

Author Wins Prize

New York.—Rafael Sabatini, for his novel, "Reveries of a Soldier," has been awarded the \$10,000 prize offered by Adolph Zukor to the writer whose story or play made the most motion picture in the year 1932. On September 1, the Authors' League of America, through which the award was made, has announced.

Says Anglo-German Commercial Treaty Signed

Paris.—The suggestion that the commercial negotiations between France and Germany are dragging because the German and English manufacturers have refused to conclude an alliance, is put forward by Lucien Chassagne, chief editor of Le Journal. He points out that the Anglo-German commercial agreement was signed in three days practically without discussion, while the French-German negotiations have made little headway after weeks, and now the German delegates announce they are going back to Berlin, not to return until January 8.

Police Capture Men For Nanaimo Theft

Detectives Trapped Six of the Eight Men Accused

Seattle.—With a dragnet cast of the net over Western Washington, Canadian and American officials and detectives trapped six of the eight men accused of the spectacular holding and \$10,000 robbery December 12 of the Royal Bank of Canada branch at Nanaimo, B.C. The two most wanted of the prisoners are Ross C. Watson, until recently a Seattle police detective, dismissed from the department five weeks ago and charged with complicity in the \$22,000 Bon Marche robbery here, August 8, and Clarence O. O'Brien, formerly Seattle police officer, convicted and sentenced to two years' imprisonment for drug law violation, and awaiting trial in connection with last year's bank of California bond robbery here.

Sending Note To Germany

Communication to Berlin Will Give Allies' Views On Disarmament

London.—It is possible that the Council of Ambassadors, after considering the note from the Allied Military authorities on armaments conditions in Germany, will send a communication to Berlin on the subject, giving the allied views. It was learned in British official circles. The two aspects of the German internal situation that are of particular concern are said, in official quarters, to be the alleged organization of the German police along lines that make it, in reality, a sort of army, and the allegations that the clandestine manufacture of machine guns is going on.

Organization Growing

Saskatchewan Grain Growers Report Greatly Increased Membership

Regina.—Saskatchewan has been organized or re-organized under the membership drive staged by the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' Association, according to information received at the central office to date. It is not anticipated that complete membership will be achieved at the annual convention meets, but officials state satisfactory progress is indicated in the increasing volume of fees paid to the central office.

Conan Doyle Starts Campaign

Aims to Convert London and the World to Spiritualism

London.—Grounding their appeal on the assertion that Christ was the greatest psychic ever known and that his apostles were chosen for their psychic powers, London spiritualists led by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, have begun a campaign to convert London and the world to spiritualism. Co-operating with Sir Arthur is Dr. G. Vale Owen, the famous spiritualist parlor. Between them they hope to waken the "fantastic world" of London to the existence of spiritism as a cure for the fashionable war.

Criticizes Equipment Of U.S. Air Force

Rear-Admiral Plans Says Bulk Of Fleet Airplane Fleet Is Obsolete

Washington.—Only 224 of the 410 planes of all kinds in possession of the United States may be used effectively in case of war, Rear-Admiral Moffat, chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics, testified before the special aircraft investigating committee of the House. About 60 per cent of the fleet is obsolete, he said, and even the 224 which could be used effectively are becoming out of date.

Cattle Disease Spread

Brussels.—The spot and mouth disease among cattle is still spreading in Belgium. There are cases in 2,521 farmyards scattered in 943 villages.

South African Visit Valuable To Empire

Sir George Foster Declares Trip Productive Of Good Results

Ottawa.—Back from their trip to South Africa, with the other members of the Empire parliamentary group, Sir George and Lady Foster expressed themselves delighted with their many and varied experiences. They have covered over 20,000 miles within the last five months, including 8,000 miles by train in South Africa and 2,000 by automobile.

IRELAND SENDS STRONG PROTEST TO THE LEAGUE

Relations.—The delicate problem of relations between the component parts of the British Empire has been raised again by Ireland throwing down the gauntlet of diplomatic revolt against the Mother Country. Ireland has added to the strenuous schedule of Christian and socialist demands before the League, through the Albanian and German problems, by notifying the Geneva peace organization that she entirely dissociates from the views of Great Britain denying Ireland's right to register the famous Anglo-Irish treaty.

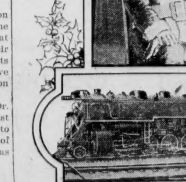
Ireland, in diplomatic phraseology, told the League that she does not desire to pursue the controversy with Great Britain, yet makes it perfectly clear that she cannot be restricted as to League prerogatives by any limitation imposed by Downing Street. Ireland's note has created an extraordinary interest in League circles, because it is believed here that it may be the start of similar moves by other parts of the Empire, especially Canada and South Africa.

The question involved is held to be far deeper than a riddle as to whether the League treaty is an international instrument capable of ratification with the League. Ireland's move involves the entire relations of the various units of the British Empire with the League, and the League of Nations. It is held in Geneva, may settle how much independence of action can be expected from the colonies and permitted by the League itself.

G. A. Clements Dies

Vancouver.—Sergeant Major G. A. Clements, R.C.E.C., one of the best known instructors in military engineering in Canada, is dead here. He enlisted in the Royal Engineers in Chatham, England, in 1902.

SANTA CLAUS USES THE RADIO



Until this year, boys and girls could only write to Santa Claus; post their letters and trust to the postman to deliver them. But this year the radio department of the Canadian National Railway made an arrangement with Santa Claus and letters from boys and girls all over Canada have been broadcast from the C.N.R. radio stations in Santa Claus's workshop in the far north. Santa has acknowledged each one by radio that he is hearing what his little friends have to tell him for his reindeer. These are the biggest and most powerful reindeer in the whole of the British Empire. They can easily pull a train of 100 loaded freight cars; so you see, Santa Claus will be able to bring all his toys, no matter if there isn't any snow on Christmas Eve.

The Hanover Vulture



Fritz Haarmann

vampire mas-murderer, who, together with his accomplice, Hans Grottel, was sentenced to death by a German judge for the murder of 26 persons.

Sees Vancouver As Greatest Pacific Port

Has Left Behind All Cities Excepting St. John N.B.—Within the lifetime of many present, the world would see Vancouver assert to the commercial supremacy of the Pacific coast and become the greatest ocean port on that seaboard, declared Hon. H. A. McKeown, chairman of the Canadian Board of Railway Commissioners in addressing the New Brunswick branch of the Maritime Commercial Travelers' Association here. Hon. Mr. McKeown, who has just returned from the west, said Vancouver had already left behind all cities, including Seattle with the exception of San Francisco, and "was not on the latter's trail."

Institute Proceedings Against Paris Papers

Government Takes Exception To Articles About Allied Committee Plot

Paris.—Minister of Justice Renoult has instructed the Paris courts to institute proceedings against the authors of the publication of false news. The articles which the Government takes exception to were "concerned with the exposure of an alleged Communist plot to capture the city of London and an editorial statement that the Government had mobilized tanks and machine guns, placing them in various suburbs, with a view of repelling an expected Communist retreat."

New Air Record

Paris.—The Aero Club of France has just notified the new world's record in airplane record of 418,171 kilometers an hour made by Adjutant Florent Bonnet at Istres, Dec. 11.

Ibanez Is Ready To Fight A Duel

Menton, France.—"Alfonso and Primo de Rivera, whom I have attacked in my writings, are the only two men I will fight in a duel," Vicente Ibanez Bana, the Spanish writer, made this declaration when informed of the numerous challenges emanating from Spain from various persons mentioned in his book who are desirous of seeking satisfaction at arms. "I need not fight all these people to prove my courage," Ibanez continued. "I have already fought nine duels, either with pistols or swords, and two of my opponents were seriously wounded, one of them being at the point of death for several days."

Air Mail Pilot Killed

Leaped From Plane But Parachute Failed To Work

Chicago.—Attaining his life to a new piece of air composing his parachute after his airplane failed to function in a blinding snowstorm, Clarence Cliff, air mail pilot, leaped into space but the chute failed to open and he fell to his death. He was on his way from Kansasville, Ill., and his last words were, "I have already fought nine duels, either with pistols or swords, and two of my opponents were seriously wounded, one of them being at the point of death for several days."

TO TAKE STEPS TO STIMULATE EMPIRE TRADE

Ottawa.—While no definite official action has yet been taken, the government is already taking steps to stimulate trade, apart from professional tariffs. The committee will continue to work on the subject of stimulating trade, apart from professional tariffs. The committee will continue to work on the subject of stimulating trade, apart from professional tariffs.

Series Of New Bills

Issue Has Just Been Put Out By Imperial Bank

Regina.—As a Christmas issue the Imperial Bank of Canada put out a series of new bank bills. The issue of the head office was that a new issue would come approximately a couple of days before Christmas, a second issue to those who wished to give a crisp new bank note as a present.

Trotsky Is Reviled By Soviet Leaders

War Chief Blamed For All Failures Of Bolshevik Regime

Moscow.—Although Trotsky now is out of the political arena and far removed from the bitter party strife in and without the Communist party, Moscow attacks upon him from within continue unceasingly. No man in public life, even during the last of the party's misadventures, has had to endure such a relentless flow of censure and condemnation as has been directed against the Soviet war chief for the last two weeks. All the sins and shortcomings and failures of the Bolshevik regime have been visited upon his head.

Effort For Peace

London.—In an effort to promote world-wide peace, "The Day," a weekly newspaper, has offered to issue copies of the paper free of charge on the streets wherever it is possible to go to press without printing any war news. So far all copies of the paper have been sold at a price, however.

MacDonald Leaves For Jamaica

London.—Ramsay MacDonald has left for Jamaica on his first real vacation since his resignation. He will return to England in time for the resumption of Parliament, early in February.

BIG GATHERING OF SCIENTISTS AT WASHINGTON

Washington.—Delegates from nearly all Canadian universities will attend the 70th meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science to be held here December 29-January 4, when 3,000 university professors, school workers, astronomers, educationalists, medical men, engineers, agriculturalists and economists will assemble for what is virtually an annual North American congress of science. The savants will spend their time listening to scientific papers, discussing them and in visiting Washington's numerous museums and the laboratories of the United States Government. Inasmuch as the meeting will be similar to the recent meetings in Toronto of the sister organization, the British Association for the Advancement of Science, it is expected that they will be more strictly confined to technical subjects than was the case with the English society.

Motion pictures taken during the tour of Western Canada made by the British scientific party will be shown during the convention in August will be shown during the week.

Edwin S. Shallen, director of science and service, and well-known writer on scientific subjects, who made the expedition, is arranging a special lecture to accompany the week-end film, which was photographed and directed by the Ontario Government. The film, which was photographed and directed by the Ontario Government, shows the scenery of the west and pictures of the secretary, treasurer and other members of the expedition. The production is expected to attract wide attention here.

Saskatchewan Schools Increased Attendance Is Shown In Rural And Urban Districts

Regina.—Rural, village, town and city schools in Saskatchewan showed increased attendance in 1932, and the average daily attendance during 1932, according to the departmental annual report, was 1,250,000. Elementary schools in the province had an enrolment of 187,368 pupils with an average daily attendance of 125,673. This compares with 186,000 pupils and an average daily attendance of 125,253 in 1931.

Coal Gas Penetrated Walls

Eleven Menstrues Almost Killed By Fumes From Next Door Furnace

Montreal.—Coal gas seeping through the walls partly brought death to eleven persons asleep in beds in dwellings in Rosemont. The victims are members of two families, eight of them children, the oldest of whom is seven years old.

Tell Of Disease

Washington.—Deaths from bubonic plague and diphtheria in the United States death registration area decreased during 1932, according to figures made public by the Census Bureau. Deaths from typhoid in 1932 totalled 6,625 against 6,881. Deaths from diphtheria in 1932 totalled 15,377 against 17,121 in 1932.

Christmas Mail Record

Winnipeg.—All post office records for volume of Christmas mail passing through the Winnipeg post office were shattered this season. The local post office was so busy that it was impossible to handle the mail, but despite the unusually heavy rush, there was no serious complaint, according to Postmaster T. T. Howser.

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CHAS. L. DUNFORD,
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Wednesday, December 31

Miss Louise Chabonau who spent the Christmas holidays with her parents, returned to Calgary Sunday.

Miss Beth Pfeiffer and her brother Dayton, are spending the Christmas and New Year holidays at Kindersley.

Miss Gladys Walker of Saskatoon spent the Christmas holidays with her parents.

J. D. Hetherington was a Christmas visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. A. Walker.

At the Elevators.

Wheat

1 Northern	1.07
2 Northern	1.02
7 Northern	1.07
Oats	
2 C.W.51
2 C.W.48
1 Feed42

Oyen General Hospital

Mr. E. E. Wilkinson
Nurse

Dr. H. C. Swartzlander
Physician and Surgeon,
Oyen, Alberta

Dr. T. F. Holt

Dental Surgeon
Graduate of Toronto University
Office with Dr. Swartzlander
Out of Town Tuesday, Friday
and Saturday

John P. Kerr

Veterinary Surgeon
Graduate of Ontario
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Drumheller—January 6-8
Della—January 13-15
Crescent—January 20-22
Kindersley—February 3-5-6
Youngstown—February 10-11-12
Hanna—February 17-19



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A Happy New Year

Quebec to Have New Sport Facilities



With the first fall of snow covering the ground Quebec is putting the finishing touches to a programme of winter activities that will extend throughout the season and cover every phase of outdoor sport. A ski jump that will rival those of Montreal and Ottawa, and attract amateur skiers of international fame is planned for this city, and engineers are already at work making surveys and plans for its erection on the Dandurand Terraces property of the Quebec Seminary. The jump will be opened in due course under the auspices of the Frontenac Winter Sports Club, a new sportive organization under the patronage of the Chateau Frontenac and direction of E. Des Balleys, internationally known winter sportsman, who has drawn up a programme of international competitions, including figure skating, curling, ski-jumping and jumping, hockey and other events to take place in this city during the coming season. Mr. Des Balleys is supported by local civic, sporting, military and other authorities, while a number of

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"Barren Land" Of North Are Now Found To Be Suitable For Cultivation

Although nearly one-half of the area of the Dominion is included under the name of the "Barren Lands," there has been very little actual information available about their nature and possible resources. Most of this exploration throughout the region was carried on in the earlier days from 1870 to 1884—in the way of various overland journeys in connection with Arctic expeditions by sea, searching for a northwest passage to the Orient.

From the close of that period of exploration to the present day, over a span of nearly a century, with its great strides in settlement and in the development of transportation and economic machinery, in general, little has been done to reconsider the possibilities of these regions in the light of present-day conditions. In order to obtain first-hand information about the country, and at the same time lay down a skeleton system of survey for all possible future development purposes, control traverse and exploration surveys were extended to the north coast, across through a series of waterways lying to the north and east of the eastern part of Great Slave Lake. This work was carried on by G. H. Blake, D.S.R., of the staff of the topographical survey of Canada, Department of the Interior.

The waterways followed consisted of a series of large lakes draining to Great Slave Lake which is a great plain open to the north and generally subject to topography. It was observed that the country here is rough enough to the north and east, and that the accumulation of snow was greater with a corresponding improvement in the amount and variety of the vegetation. "The barren lands" as applied to the greater portion of this country is a misnomer. It is true that trees are not found beyond a certain line, and to the north and east of this line areas of barrenness exist where soil is either lacking or too coarse for ordinary plant life, but in the greater portion of the country a variety of shrubs and mosses cover the hills and grasses flourish in the swampy valleys.

Canada Needs Capital

More People and More Capital Needed to Dominate in the Far North
Canada must get more capital and more people if she is to survive and progress, and the way to get them is by making her policy one of free immigration, declared Dr. Stephen Leacock, professor of political economy at McGill University, in an address at Montreal.

Prof. Leacock said there was no need to disguise the fact that at the present time the country was not in a satisfactory condition. Statistics were not needed to tell the people that the country's "bloodstock" was drained by emigration. He pointed out that those who had left in the last two or three years were young men, the best blood of the Dominion.

His Only Extravagance
Old Ben Roddy, from Henshaw Hotel, is fond of boasting that his country is the best of the world, by virtue of which he has accumulated a fairly substantial bank account.

"You're very careful about your expenditures, aren't you, Uncle Henry?" the village schoolmaster asked one day.

"Yes, professor, I'm right smart that way. First, I don't recollect that I ever spent but one quarter for dirt and foolishness. That was one Christmas time when I let a stagekeeper talk me into buying a pair of socks."

Chinese Typewriters
A Chinese inventor had devised a typewriter with a keyboard containing hundreds of Chinese characters. The large machine occupies almost an entire room and is operated by both the hand and the foot. It is improbable that the machine will come into popular use, however.

A Cure For Unrest
By adding about a couple more hours of sleep each night, and about three hours more of work a day, we fancy about 50 per cent of the unrest in this country would be disposed of.—Houston Post Dispatch.

Egyptian carpenters possessed practically every tool used by modern makers of the craft 2,500 years ago.

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Alberta Will Test Tuberculosis Serum

Prevention of Disease in Cattle Covered By Pasture Institute

What will probably prove to be one of the most far-reaching and effective steps ever taken by the Alberta Department of Agriculture for the improvement of livestock in the province, has been consummated, following extended negotiations carried on by Hon. Geo. Howley, minister of agriculture, by the Dominion West-India Institute at Paris, France, of a sample of the Calmette culture, evolved by Prof. Calmette of the above institution, for the inoculation of young cattle against tuberculosis. This culture has been turned over to the laboratory at the university for multiplication, so that a quantity of the culture can be obtained for use in making tests in the province.

Alberta is very fortunate in having been able to procure the culture, and so far as is known, this is the only place on the university for multiplication to secure the culture thus far.

Total Yield Of Grain

Revised Estimate Of Crop Yield Of Three Prairie Provinces

Revised estimates of the crop yields of the three prairie provinces were released today by the Northwest Grain Dealers' Association, Winnipeg. The total wheat crop was given at 247,415,000 bushels, which does not vary greatly with the earlier estimate of the association. Oats were shown at 259,113,000 bushels; barley, 22,554,000 bushels; rye, 8,228,000 bushels; flax, 7,522,000 bushels.

The estimate is based on figures issued in the previous report of the association last October 3. The total wheat surplus for marketing is estimated at present to total \$7,025,000 bushels.

Canada Not Behind In Health Legislation

In Some Respects Ahead Of Other Countries

Canada is not behind other countries in legislation for public health. In some respects it is ahead of other countries. Dr. Alexander Primrose, chairman of the Council of the Canadian Medical Association told the gathering of medical men and women, held at Ottawa for a day and a half convention. One of a hundred delegates were in attendance representing twenty-five hundred and eighty doctors which has to do with public health.

Would Farm Dominions

To Be Given First Chance In Supplying British Needs in Meat

A blow to foreign meat trusts is suggested by an announcement in the London Evening News that the British Dominions will be given the first chance of supplying Great Britain's needs in meat. The newspaper says: "The Dominions will be allowed to import meat into this country, under license, to the full extent of the difference between our consumption and our home-grown produce. Only so far as our Dominions fail to make up the difference will foreign meat be allowed to enter this country."

Dean Walker, 180,000 miles
Dean Walker, a track walker at Norwinton, N.S., has been in the forty-two years that he has been walking tracks for railroads. He has covered more than 180,000 miles. Mr. Walker does better than twelve miles a day and the exercise has kept him in good physical condition.

The earth must move about 17 million a second in order to get around the sun once in 365 days.

LAUNCH OF "PRINCESS MARGUERITE"

A pair of bluebirds, left behind by a party of bluebirds, had been set up as sort of a fetish by a native tribe in the jungle of Sumatra, according to a recent report. The bluebirds, probably formed by some superstitious native, had been placed on the branch of a tree as an idol.

New Steamship Service
A steamship service between Halifax and Belfast and Queenstown is to be inaugurated at once in order to accommodate the increased business between Canada and Great Britain, according to an announcement made by the White Star Line in London.

It would take nearly 35 years for an airplane, travelling at two miles a minute, to fly from the earth to Mars. It would take 39 years to the sun, and twenty million years to the nearest star, yet a wireless signal could travel to Mars and back in but seven minutes.

The intelligence of pigs stands on a level with that of a horse.

More auto trucks than pleasure cars are imported by Japan.

The "Princess Marguerite" after her successful launch at Clydebank, recently. Hon. Marguerite Slagter, daughter of the late chairman of the Canadian Pacific, cut the ribbons which released the vessel from the ways and, at the same time christened it. The ship, the new oil-burning steamer will be placed in the Vancouver-Victoria and Seattle service of the Canadian Pacific in 1925.

Seed and Feed Analysis Many Samples of Seed and Feed Analyzed at Government Laboratories

During the year ending March 31 last, as recorded in the report of the Dominion minister of agriculture for 1924-25, 41,391 samples of seed and feed were received and analyzed, either for purity or germination, and the latter for determination of ingredients—at the five laboratories controlled by the Dominion west branch.

Of the whole 2,561 samples were created at the laboratory opened in Quebec last January, 14,952 at Ottawa, 5,821 at Toronto, 6,565 at Winnipeg, and 7,239 at Calgary. These samples came under the head of "feeds" referring to samples of seed sent in by merchants, farmers and institutions; "cultures" referring to samples of seed from imported shipments by customs officials; "oil-draft" including both seed and feed samples taken by inspectors from lots which are sold or offered for sale and suspected of violating the Seeds Act or the Feeding Stuffs Act, on which provisions are made for "feeding stuffs," including all feeds, and in addition condiments and tonics sent in by farmers, merchants, and others who desire to know their approximate composition and value, and "investigation," comprising all work of an experimental nature.

Canada's Minerals Barely Touched

Surprising That More Canadians Do Not Realize This

The St. Thomas Times-Journal says that "It must have become a revelation to the ordinary British citizen to be told that Canada is the second largest silver producing country in the world. His eyes must have opened still wider when he learned that the Dominion's production of thousands of miles of mineralized areas have barely been scratched." But it is also a source of surprise that more Canadians do not scratch for more than a living there.—Kingston Standard.

A Queer Cleaner

Snapping Turtle Used to Clear Clogged Sewer Pipes

A western city has been using a snapping turtle to clean out sewer pipes. The turtle was used to clear a clogged pipe more than three hundred feet long was used to the turtle's tail, and the turtle was placed in one end of the pipe. It started off at a steady pace toward the other end three blocks away. When it got there some two hours later the cord was still attached to its tail. Men who were waiting at once began to scrape to the cord, with which the pipe was soon cleared.

For the New Year

Let me be a little kinder, let me be a little blinder to the faults of those about me, let me be a little more; let me be, when I am wrong, just a little bit more clumsy; let me be a little better than those that I am striving for. Let me be a little braver when temptation bids me waver; let me be a little harder to be all that I should be; let me be a little weaker with the brother that is weaker; let me think more of my neighbor and a little less of me.—Selected.

On St. Patrick's Day

A health to St. Patrick and conclusion to the makes real, not drunk in water on next March 17. The Irish state senate has decided, according to a dispatch from Dublin, that a majority of one vote, the senate bill which would have celebrated all saloons on St. Patrick's day.

Good neighbors and a good decision are similar. You are never aware of them.

Supremacy Of Marquis Wheat Over All Other Varieties Still Remains Unchallenged

Manitoba Bee Industry

Excellent Crop of Honey Brings Big Returns

That there has been an increase of some 1,500 per cent in the number of beekeepers in Manitoba during the past few years, was the statement made by Dr. H. J. Merkle, at a luncheon in Winnipeg, taking as his topic the bee industry in the province. Formerly Manitobans had been spending as much as half a million dollars annually for the purchase of honey from outside the province. Now this was not the case, honey being exported instead. This meant that not only was the half million dollars saved, but outside money was brought into Manitoba.

This year's crop of honey had been produced in the west and north districts of the province, and generally where there was sweet clover. One of the best returns was reported from the St. Joseph's orchard at Oshawa, where 21,000 pounds were taken from 105 hives. The largest report from one individual was that submitted by a little child at Carleton who got 260 pounds of honey from two pounds of bee purchased last spring.

Reduced Rate On Cattle

Hope To Lower Rate By \$15 A Head To Get Stock Overseas

"I am very hopeful that freight rates on cattle from Canada to Great Britain will be reduced before long, so that exporters will be enabled to send over the light type of steer that is greatly in favor on the other," stated Dr. J. H. Grosdale, deputy minister of agriculture, during an interview in Winnipeg.

Mr. Grosdale said negotiations looking toward a reduced rate had been carried on in the Old Country for some time, and declared that if the rate could be cut to \$15 per head, it would mean a great deal to the cattle trade and soon result in the establishment of a market for steers ranging from 200 to 3,000 pounds.

Russia Must Import Sugar

Will Buy From States, Britain and Czechoslovakia

Owing to the failure of the best root crop, the Soviet Government has authorized the importation of 200,000,000 pounds of sugar, the bulk of which will be purchased in the United States, Czechoslovakia and Great Britain. The Government probably will be obliged also to import a considerable quantity of grain to offset the shortage in districts where the crops failed to enable the authorities to establish normal prices.

German Politics Not Profitable

Being a member of the German Reichstag, or parliament, is not a very lucrative position. The Belgian king paid \$116 a month, which is one-quarter the salary of cabinet ministers. But the German parliamentarian can find a free railroad travel throughout the republic in first-class compartment.

Blowed Out

"Does your husband talk to you like he used to before you were married?"

"No; he talks to me now the way he talks to a flat tire."

The island of Mytilene, in the Bay of Hiroshima, Japan, is notable for its deer and the absence of dogs.

Stock Game Sanctioned

It is the intention of the department of game and fisheries of the province of Ontario to stock the new game sanctuary east of Port Arthur with buffalo and pheasant. The scheme was proposed by Frank H. Kiefer, M.L.A., secretary for Northern Ontario.

New Ocean Cable

Despite the growth of radio, especially in trans-Atlantic transmission, the British navy has made no secret New York directly with Italy, for the first time. It will be five times faster than the present ocean cables.

To Reduce Military Service

The period of military service in France would be reduced, under an army reform plan now being worked out at the ministry of war. The scheme will require considerable time to perfect.

Fashionable, long, heavy pendant earring are wearing women's ears out of shape, according to a noted French specialist.

Is Better Off Than Neighbor to the South

"In spite of certain real difficulties with which he is faced today, the Canadian farmer enjoys certain real advantages over his neighbor to the south," stated Hon. Thomas A. Law, minister of trade and commerce. "Canada enjoys an advantage," continued Mr. Law, "in the number of owners of farms. No less than 25 per cent of the farms are occupied by tenants, as against only eight per cent, in Canada. Ownership gives the farmer a permanent interest in the land and community than any form of lease. At present, there are 711,000 farms in Canada, as compared with 614,000 in the United States. The average farm in the United States is 118 acres, while 128 acres represent the average in this country; but the value is in reverse proportion, the Canadian holding being valued at \$2,265.00. The net agricultural production per farm in Canada, with 1920 figures as a basis, averaged \$2,180.00, compared with an average of \$1,525.00 in the United States. On the basis of all farms, including those in the hands of the 118 in this country and 1210 on the other side of the boundary."

Unemployment Insurance

Only Way to Protect Workers From Periodical Distress

However much the nation, British trade may improve, there will still always be the ups and downs, or the ebb and flow, which lead to seasonal unemployment. Very reasonable people can have any doubt what is the proper method of dealing with the recurrent difficulty. The only remedy is a thorough and inclusive system of insurance. Without this, distress and suffering recur, and there can be no sense of security for the worker.—London Daily Chronicle.

Find Rare Fossils

Discovery of limestone ledges in France, which are rich in fossils of the Silurian age, has made possible study of the fauna of that long forgotten time, according to John H. Ball, of the geology department of Northwestern University.

Hold Up Restaurant

Five masked bandits held up a restaurant in Berlin and ordered the best meal on the menu at the point of guns. They becked the doors behind them and held all the waiters, cooks and other patrons captive until they had finished eating—dining by force.



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About Town and Country

Mr. S. Osmond of Youngstown was a week-end visitor in town.

Miss Rosalie Wilson of Swift Current, who arrived in Oyen yesterday, is spending the New Year holidays with her sister Mrs. C. L. Dunford.

Dr. Harold Miner, one of the directors of The Fuego Oil Co., who has been spending several weeks in the district, left for his home in Ontario, yesterday.

Play in the Christmas Day knock-out competition will be resumed to-morrow. The semi-finals will be played off at 10.30 a.m. when Lees plays Lake and Miller plays Dial. The winners of these games will meet in the final game, which will be played at 3.30 p.m.

Miss D. S. Dunford who has been spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Dunford, returned to Calgary on Tuesday.

Here and There

A recent survey of prospective expansion among the mines of Northern Ontario shows that many millions of dollars will be spent on mills and mill supplies in 1925. According to this survey, mill expenditures totalling \$7,250,000 are contemplated.

Hunters patronizing territories in the Algoma district of the Canadian Pacific Railway had a very successful season in 1924, according to a report recently issued. Moose numbering 172, deer numbering 2,183 and approximately 7,000 partridge were secured and the number of hunters ran into several thousand. The figures quoted include those for Kipawa, Temiskaming, Mattawa, Sturgeon Falls, Pakeney, Sault Ste. Marie, Chapleau, Sudbury, Schreiber and Nipigon, all exceptionally good game areas.

More Christmas trees were shipped from Nova Scotia for the 1924 festive season than ever before, according to figures just compiled. Twenty-two car-loads from territory bordering the Dominion Atlantic Railway alone were shipped to outside points and approximately 150 car-loads left the province generally.

A splendid season of winter sports is expected at Quebec this year, as more and more people are becoming interested in these healthy recreations in Canada and the United States. In connection with the activities of the Chateau Frontenac, the Canadian Pacific's great hotel in the Ancient Capital, a number of new features will add to the attractions Quebec has to offer. These include inter-club, inter-collegiate and international competitions in all winter sports, to be held under the auspices of the recently formed Frontenac Winter Sports Club, which will award the successful participants with trophies of various kinds and attractive gold, silver and bronze medals.

The names of the winners of the David prizes for literature, awarded to the writers of the best French and English books entered in the competition for these prizes, have just been announced by the committee of judges. In the French section the first prize, \$1,500, went to Albe Camille Roy for his book "A l'Honneur des Erasles," while in the English section Marjorie Grant Cook won first prize with her book "Another Way of Love."

The most successful year enjoyed by the Canadian Pacific Great Lakes Steamship Service in freight shipments since 1913 is reported by Mr. Duff, manager of that service, for the season lately closed. The whole fleet of package freighters for the first time since the outbreak of the Great War, has been constantly employed during the seven months in which the lakes are open. A feature was the very large increase in the export flour business, some 75 per cent of the 300,000 tons of flour carried eastward by the service having been destined for export. October was a particularly good month, the ships having transported in that month 58,000 tons of eastward bound milled stuffs and grain alone.



Sandy MacDugal MacAllister Mac-Tubb, The Eminent Rock Heaver

Sandy, who has been in retirement for a couple of seasons, popped in to see us this morning to wish all readers of the News, a Happy New Year.

Sandy tells us he spent a very jolly Christmas, although his pleasure was somewhat marred when some one knocked his elbow just as he was partaking of "Yo Old Monk" and he spilt some on the floor. Hoot mon, a sair waste.

At the time of suspension of operations at the site of the Fuego Oil Company's site, drilling had reached a depth of 1902 feet. Operations will be resumed at a later date. Gas from the well is being used for lighting purposes in the vicinity of the site.

We have the following Storm Sash in stock, and will sell while they last, at the following prices:

2-20x20, 2 lights .. \$3.70

3-10x20, 4 lights .. 2.80

3-21x24, 2 lights .. 3.40

7-21x20, 2 lights .. 3.50

6-21x20, 2 lights .. 3.75

The larger windows are cut 4 lights.

If in need of any of these call or Phone 16.

—Beaver Lumber Co., Ltd.

In Lighter Vein

A railroad bulletin says sharp curves are being eliminated.

We have read something like that in "Beauty Talks".

Pastor—Did you enjoy my sermon last Sunday?

Deacon—I couldn't quite understand you; there was so much attic.

A Virginia gentlemen of color tells us that he doesn't hit his wife any more since he got fined in police court.

"No sah from now on when dat wife zassperate me, I gwine kick her good—den she can't show it to de judge."

The genius of a certain Arkansas editor showed itself recently when he printed the following news item in the local columns of his paper:

"Miss Beaulah Blank, a Batesville belle of twenty summers, is visiting her twin brother, age thirty-two."

Returning in the street car from the theatre the other night two girls were discussing their favourite operas. Just as the conductor came in to collect the fares, one girl said to the other, "I simply love Carmen." The conductor blushed and whispered, "Try the driver, miss, I'm married."

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